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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6941

BILL NUMBER: SB 278

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 30, 2006

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Boone Circuit Court Magistrate.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Boots

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
☐ **DEDICATED**
☐ **FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

STATE IMPACT	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009
State Revenues			
State Expenditures		120,897	123,114
Net Increase (Decrease)		(120,897)	(123,114)

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows the judge of the Boone Circuit Court to appoint one full-time magistrate to exercise the circuit court's juvenile jurisdiction.

Effective Date: July 1, 2007.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Magistrates receive a salary that is 80% of the salary of a trial court judge. The salary of a judge can increase each year based on the salaries of state employees in the executive branch who are in the same or similar salary bracket as the judges. Consequently, the salaries of magistrates will increase each fiscal year as the salaries of judges increase. As an illustration, the following table illustrates the possible increases in the salary of a Boone County magistrate if the salary of a trial court judge increases each year by 2%.

Projected Salaries and Benefits Based on Statute for Magistrates by Fiscal Year					
<u>Benefits</u>	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Salary*	\$92,740	\$94,595	\$96,487	\$98,417	\$100,385
Life Insurance	\$334	\$341	\$347	\$354	\$361
Social Security	\$7,095	\$7,237	\$7,381	\$7,529	\$7,679
Judges Retirement Fund - Judge / PERF - Magistrate	\$6,492	\$6,622	\$6,754	\$6,889	\$7,027
Disability Insurance	\$2,114	\$2,157	\$2,200	\$2,244	\$2,289
Costs for Judicial Center	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Deferred Comp State Match and Leave Conversion	\$654	\$654	\$654	\$654	\$654
Health, Dental, and Vision (blended rate)	\$8,291	\$8,291	\$8,291	\$8,291	\$8,291
Total Cost Per Magistrate	<u>\$118,720</u>	<u>\$120,897</u>	<u>\$123,114</u>	<u>\$125,378</u>	<u>\$127,686</u>

* Assumes an annual salary increase of 2%.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Boone County could incur additional costs for new court space, support staff, and office equipment.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Indiana Supreme Court – Indiana Judicial Center and Office of State Court Administration.

Local Agencies Affected: Boone County

Information Sources: Office of State Court Administration; IC 33-23-5-10; IC 33-38-5-8.1

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